



AMERICAN EMBASSY, COLOMBO



SENIOR POLITICAL SPECIALIST

We are looking for a suitable candidate to be recruited as our Senior Political Specialist who will advise the Ambassador, Deputy Chief of Mission and Senior Political Officers in identifying and understanding political issues, trends, and developments most central to US Government interests in Sri Lanka and Maldives. Incumbent also maintains a wide range of senior Sri Lankan and Maldives contacts and reports on a variety of sensitive political issues. He/she represents the U.S. Mission at legislative sessions and regional conferences. Incumbent is also the primary action officer on Maldives and covers religious and civil society issues in both Sri Lanka and Maldives.

The ideal candidate will be a U.S. Citizen with the ability to obtain a 'Top Secret' Security clearance, having a working knowledge of Sri Lanka & Maldives's political, religious, economic and social structure, institutions, political parties, historic development and key political and military figures. He/she should also possess a sound knowledge of US Government foreign policy objectives and interests as well as in Sri Lanka & Maldives, and a thorough understanding of internal political reporting requirements and procedures. Further, the candidate should have the ability to analyze a wide range of areas including political, religious and economic spheres.

If you meet the above criteria and also possess the below-mentioned qualifications, you are the kind of person we are looking for!

Please send us your detailed CV along with a separate cover page containing the following questions and your responses.

1. Position applied
2. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
3. Current Address and E- mail address
4. Telephone Numbers
5. Names of relatives or members of your household who work for the U.S. Government if any
(Name, Relationship, Position, Location)
6. Are you between ages 18-60? (Y/N)
7. Do you possess a Bachelor's Degree in Social Sciences / Political Science / International Relations/ Government? (Y/N, If "Y", Course Name, Institute, Starting & Ending Date of the course)
8. Do you have five years' experience in a position requiring research, analyzing and interpreting data, writing reports, developing contacts/networking and negotiation? (Y/N – If 'Y', state employer, position title, years /months of employment in each position & summary of duties)
9. Are you fluent (speaking, reading and writing) in English (This will be tested)? (Y/N)
10. Are you a U.S. Citizen ? (Y/N)
11. Your current monthly take-home salary?

Applications without cover page may not be considered.

Also, if your answer is 'No' to any of the questions from 6 to 10 above, your application will not be considered.

The monthly take-home salary for this position will be Rs.137, 744/- (However, the actual salary to be determined by Washington)

Your application should reach us on or before May 23, 2013, by post at P.O. Box 106, Colombo, or by e-mail at Colombohr@state.gov. Please state "Post of Senior Political Specialist" on the top left-hand corner of the envelope or in the subject line of your e-mail. Please note, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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